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* RELIGIOUS FREEDOM DAY *

[M11-06]

WHEREAS, religious freedom is the foundation of a healthy and hopeful society. On Religious Freedom Day, we recognize the importance of the 1786 passage of the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom. We also celebrate the first liberties enshrined in our Constitution's Bill of Rights, which guarantee the free exercise of religion for all Americans and prohibit an establishment of religion; and

WHEREAS, our Nation was founded by people seeking haven from religious persecution, and religious liberty remains one of this land's greatest blessings. As Americans, we believe that all people have inherent dignity and worth. Though we may profess different creeds and worship in different manners and places, we respect each other's humanity and expression of faith. People with diverse views can practice their faiths while living together in peace and harmony, carrying on our Nation's noble tradition of religious freedom; and

WHEREAS, The United States also stands with religious dissidents and believers from around the globe who practice their faith peacefully. Freedom is not a grant of government or a right for Americans alone; it is the birthright of every man, woman, and child throughout the world. No human freedom is more fundamental than the right to worship in accordance with one's conscience; and

WHEREAS, Religious Freedom Day is an opportunity to celebrate our legacy of religious liberty, foster a culture of tolerance and peace, and renew commitments to ensure that every person on Earth can enjoy these basic human rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim January 16, 2011 as

* RELIGIOUS FREEDOM DAY *

and call upon all Arizonans to reflect on the great blessing of religious liberty, endeavor to preserve this freedom for future generations, and to observe this day with appropriate events, activities, and fellowship.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this fifth day of January in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fifth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* RONALD REAGAN DAY *

[M11-08]

WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and advancing the public good, having been employed as an entertainer, union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of California and President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction for two terms as the 40th President of the United States of

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America; the second of which he earned the confidence of 3/5 of the electorate and was victorious in 49 of the 50 states in the general election – a record unsurpassed in the history of American presidential elections; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, when Ronald Reagan was inaugurated as President of the United States, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

WHEREAS, during Mr. Reagan's presidency, he worked in a bipartisan manner to enact his bold agenda of restoring accountability and common sense to government which led to an unprecedented economic expansion and opportunity for millions of Americans; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reagan's commitment to an active social policy agenda for the nation's children helped lower crime and drug use in our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to our Armed Forces contributed to the restoration of pride in America, her values and those cherished by the free world, and prepared America's Armed Forces to meet 21st Century challenges; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's vision of "peace through strength" led to the end of the Cold War and the ultimate demise of the Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic human rights for millions of people; and

WHEREAS, February 6, 2011 marks the 100th anniversary of Ronald Reagan's birth and the seventh since his passing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do herby proclaim February 6, 2011 as

* RONALD REAGAN DAY *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this seventh day of January in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fifth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* ARIZONA STATEHOOD DAY *

[M11-16]

WHEREAS, on February 14, 1912, President William Howard Taft signed the bill that accepted the Arizona Constitution, making Arizona the forty-eighth state in the union; and

WHEREAS, after the announcement that President Taft had signed the Arizona Statehood Act, news was telegraphed to the people of Arizona, Governor George W.P. Hunt was inaugurated and the legislature was called into its first session; and

WHEREAS, for 99 years, people have come to make Arizona their home, drawn by the striking landscapes, the rich history and proud heritage, the unlimited opportunities and horizons, the unique lifestyle and the chance to be part of a prosperous and dynamic state; and

WHEREAS, Arizona Statehood Day affords Arizonans an opportunity to celebrate our pioneer spirit, immense diversity and long lasting traditions; and

WHEREAS, Statehood Day 2011 encourages all citizens to take an active role in commemorating Arizona's strong foundations and great accomplishments, as well as look toward new opportunities and the bright future ahead.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim February 14, 2011 as

* ARIZONA STATEHOOD DAY *

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and encourage citizens to participate in all activities in recognition thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eleventh day of January in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fifth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State

* RECORD STORE DAY *

[M11-15]

WHEREAS, independent record stores have played an important role in our lives and our economy, allowing people to expand their musical horizons and learn about their cultures; and

WHEREAS, independent record stores have helped launch the careers of many musicians and well-known talented people; and

WHEREAS, independent records stores have supported local economies in jobs and revenue while educating people in all types of musical venues; and

WHEREAS, the environment produced through independent record stores creates a melting pot of ideas and creativity through records, movies, books, and personal interaction; and

WHEREAS, Record Store Day encourages everyone to participate in an opportunity to appreciate and acknowledge the contributors of this industry, through promotional material handouts, meeting local musicians, and hearing star performances in-store.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 16, 2011 as

* RECORD STORE DAY *

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janice K. Brewer GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eleventh day of January in the year Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fifth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett Secretary of State